

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

General Administration Department – Telephones – Delegation of powers to Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretaries of Departments in Secretariat – Orders – Issued.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (OP.VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 426

Dated:25.7.2011  
Read the following:

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| 1. | G.O.Ms.No 286 General Administration (OP.III)  | Department, Dated 10.05.1983. |
| 2. | G.O.Ms.No.583 General Administration (OP.III)  | Department, Dated 26.10.1988. |
| 3. | G.O.Ms.No 384, General Administration (OP.III) | Department, Dated 17.09.2001. |

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ORDER:

In the G.O., 1<sup>st</sup> read above, a Screening Committee with the officers viz., Special Secretary, Finance-Chairman, Secretary (Poll), Member, and Secretary (W&P), Member was constituted for screening the requirements of new telephones, provision of STD facility etc., centrally in Secretariat and reconstituted the Committee from time to time.

2. In the G.O., 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, orders were issued fixing the ceiling limit on the number of telephone calls for the office and residence telephones of officers in all the departments in the State. The ceiling limit fixed for payment on telephone charges in the above G.O., is being followed till to-day and for over and above the ceiling limit fixed in G.O., the Departments concerned in the Secretariat are sending the files to GAD to place the matter before screening committee duly taking concurrence of the Finance Department as first instance.

3. In the G.O., 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, orders were issued delegating the powers to the Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretaries of Departments of Secretariat for conversion of personal telephones as official telephones where the Government could not provide a telephone at the residence of an Officer for the purpose of settlement of bills subject to the eligibility and ceiling limit.

4. The usage of land line telephone connections in Government Departments reduced considerably as many officers are using cell phones and a number of private telephone operators are providing telephone connections with various packages and the Departments can take the connections as and when required within their budget limit duly following the ceiling limits fixed in the G.O., 2<sup>nd</sup> read above. Hence it is felt that there is no need to reconstitute the Screening Committee and to delegate the powers to sanction new telephones connections for Secretariat Departments and Heads of Departments, to the Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretaries of Departments of Secretariat within their budget limit.

5. Government, after careful examination of the matter, hereby decide and order to dispense with the reconstitution of screening committee on telephones and delegate the powers for sanction of new telephone connections for Secretariat Departments and Heads of Departments to the Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretaries of Departments in Secretariat, subject to, the ceiling limit fixed in the G.O. 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, with in their budget limits.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (Expr.GAD.I) Department vide their U.O.NO.15765/285/Expr.GAD.I/11, dated 17.6.2011.

( BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH )

S.V. PRASAD,  
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

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The Pay and Accounts Officer/Deputy Pay and Accounts Officer, Secretariat Branch.  
The Principal General Manager, BSNL, Department of Telecom Suryalok Complex, Hyderabad.  
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